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Letter dated 30 November 2004 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General

The Security Council recalls its resolution 1546 (2004), in which it welcomed a new phase in Iraq's transition, set forth the mandate of the United Nations Assistance Mission for Iraq (UNAMI), and called upon Member States to provide resources to a distinct entity under unified command of the multinational force with a dedicated mission to provide security for the United Nations presence in Iraq.

Since the adoption of the resolution on 8 June 2004, a number of States have stepped forward to offer forces and financial support to the dedicated United Nations protection force. However, there is no mechanism to receive financial contributions and disburse support to force contributors. Having considered the letter from the Permanent Representative of the Netherlands (S/2004/927) and taking note of your correspondence with the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands as President of the European Union, the Security Council welcomes the willingness expressed therein to establish a special account of the United Nations ("trust fund") and specifically endorses the creation of such a trust fund for accepting and administering contributions from Member States for the purpose of financially supporting the "distinct entity" to provide security for the United Nations presence in Iraq mandated by resolution 1546 (2004). In order to recover the full amount of funds pledged, the Security Council requests that you establish the trust fund without delay and no later than 3 December 2004. Delay will slow deployment of forces and mean a loss of financial contributions.

The Security Council welcomes the financial and force contributions of Member States and calls for continued support of UNAMI and its protection force.

(*Signed*) John C. **Danforth**
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